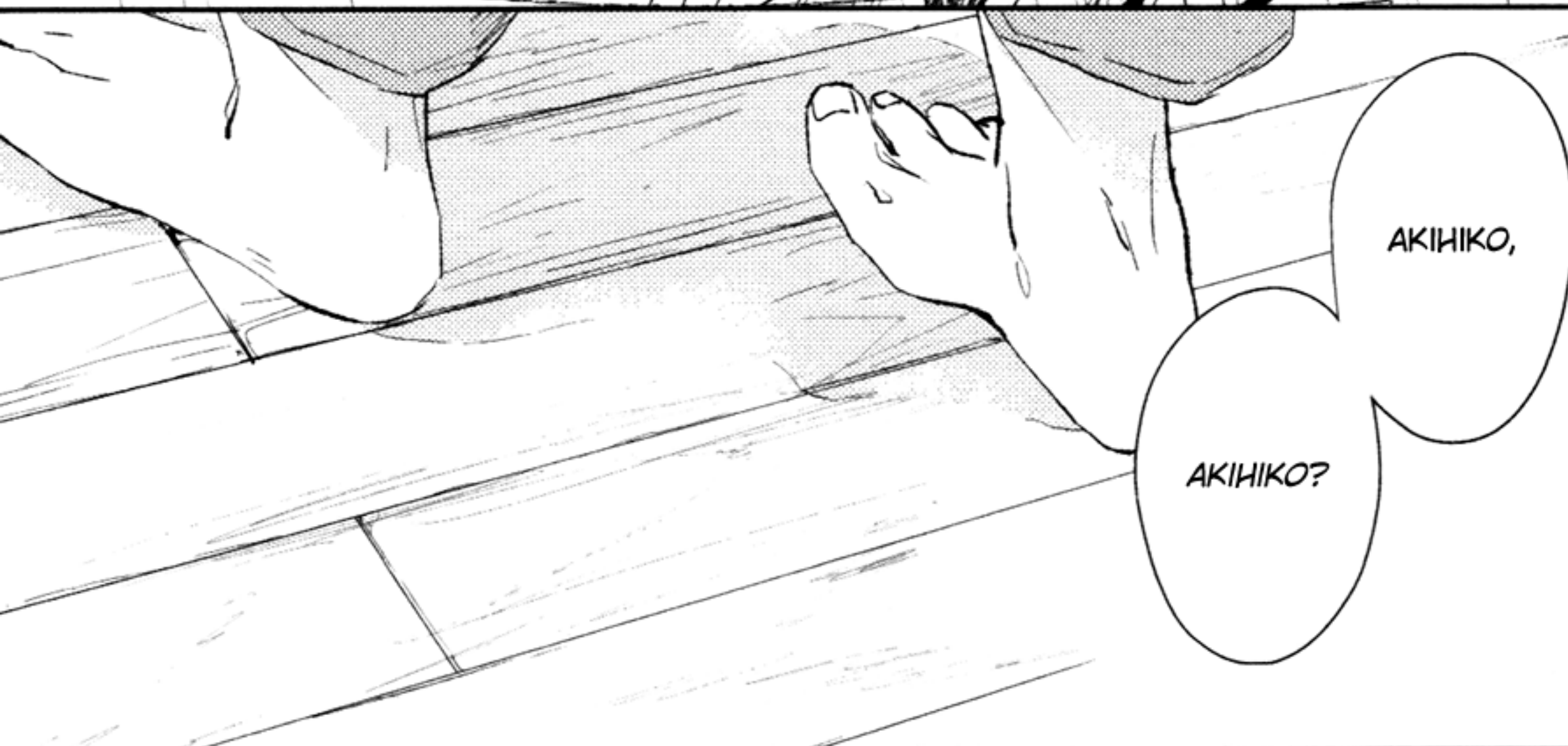


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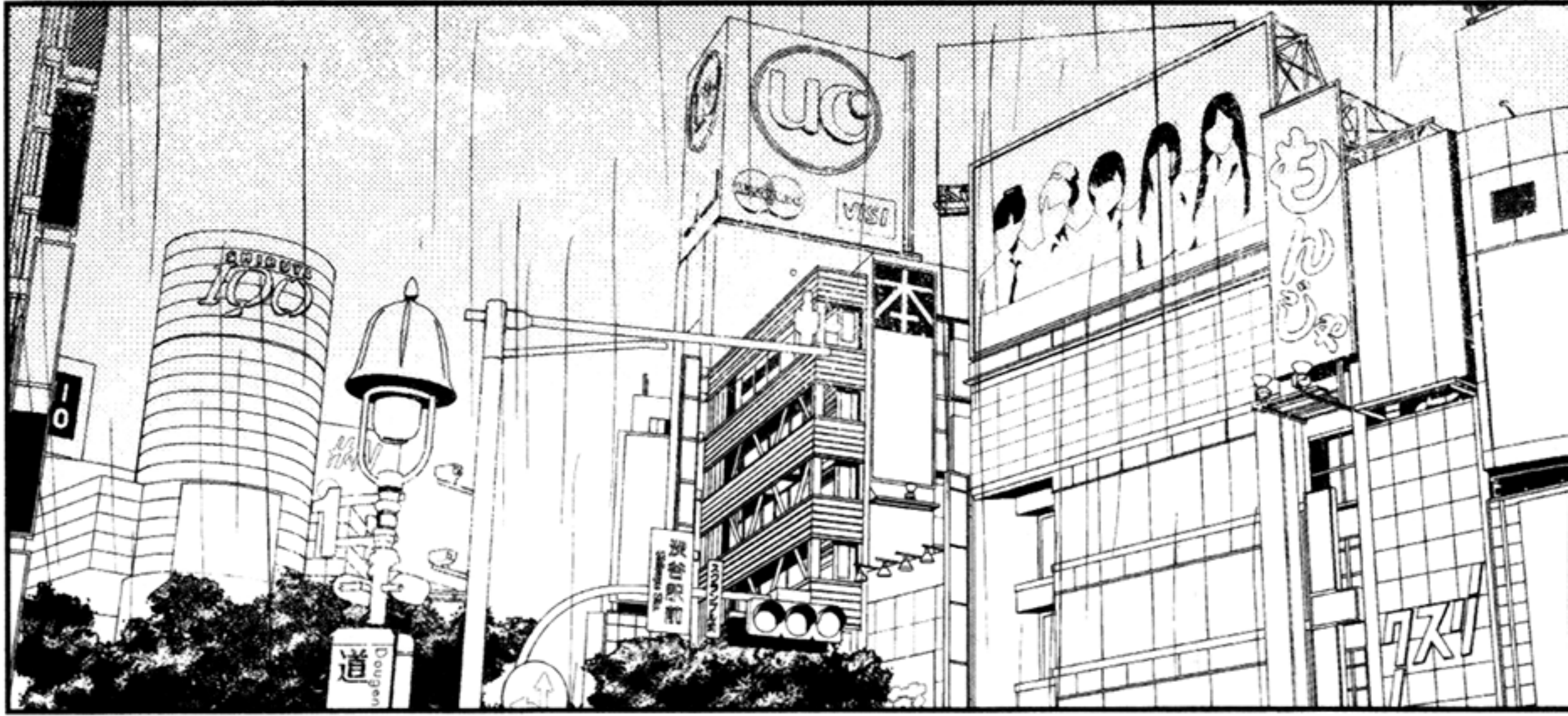
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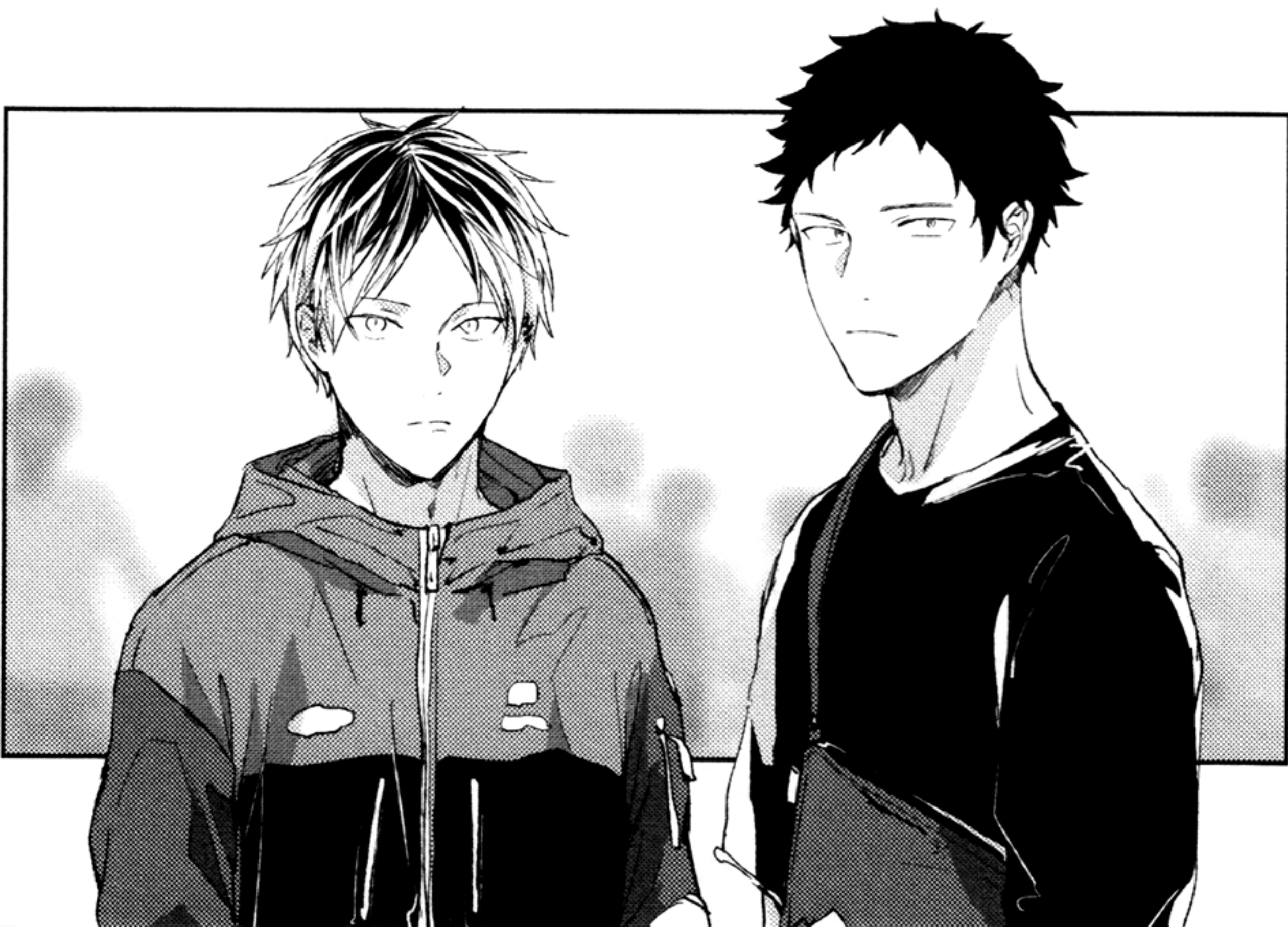
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buzz











.....BOY-FRIEND?



.....EH.



MY BOYFRIEND.

eccentric



HE'S THE GUITARIST IN OUR BAND.



OH, THIS IS THE FIRST TIME YOU'VE SEEN HIM HUH, SHIZU-CHAN?

.....



DON'T YOU REMEMBER?

a person's face or name →

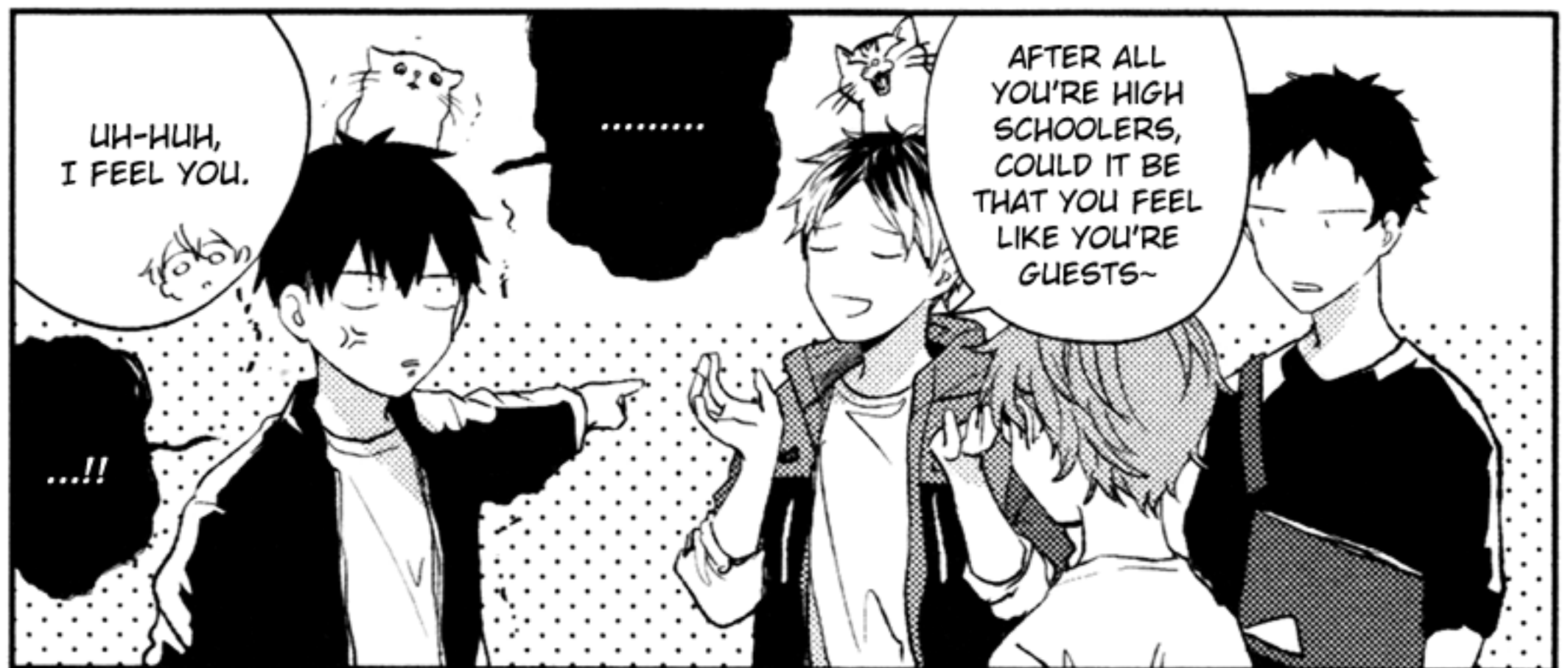
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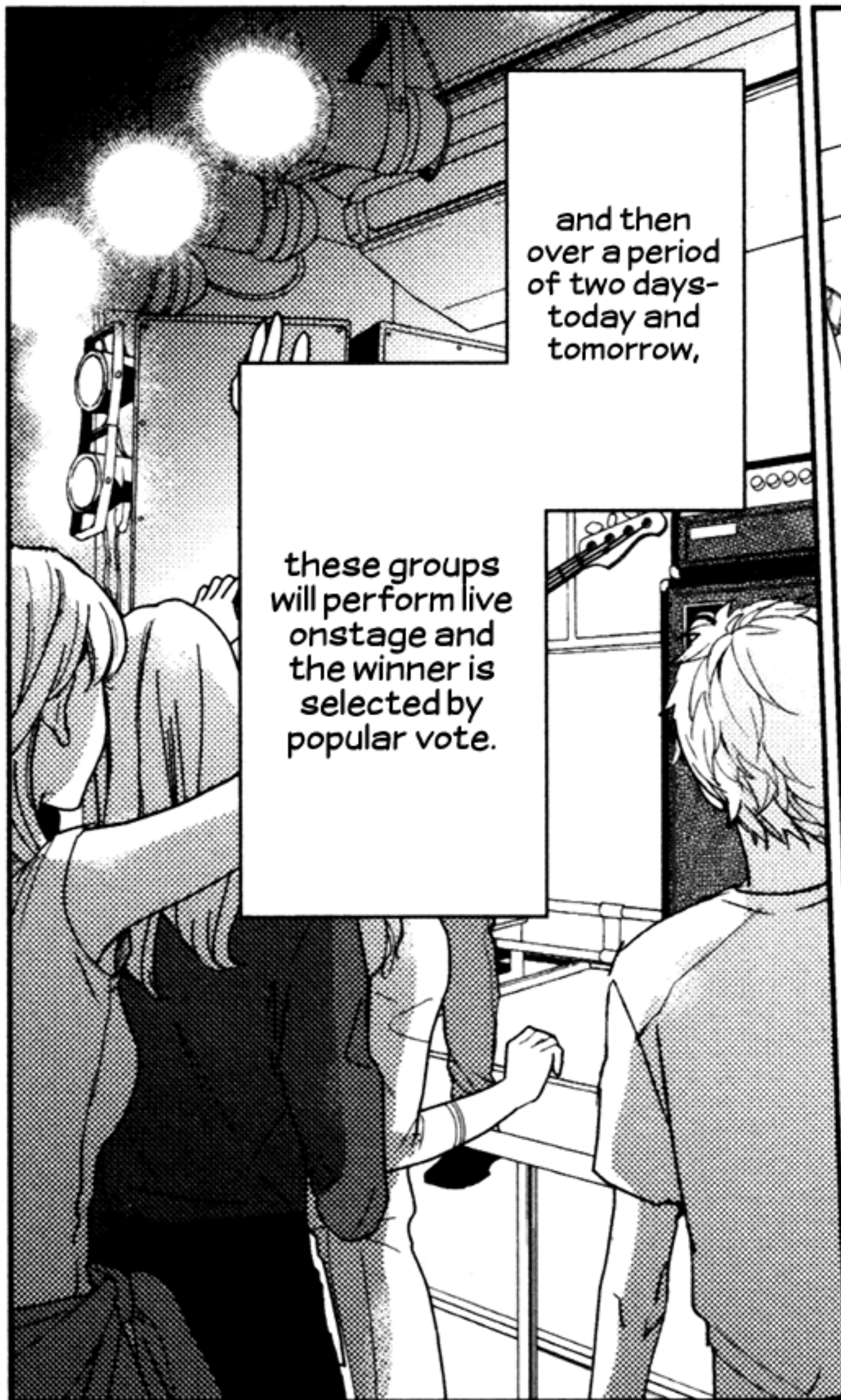


MAFLYU?

WE'VE RUN INTO HIRAGI BEFORE, REMEMBER?

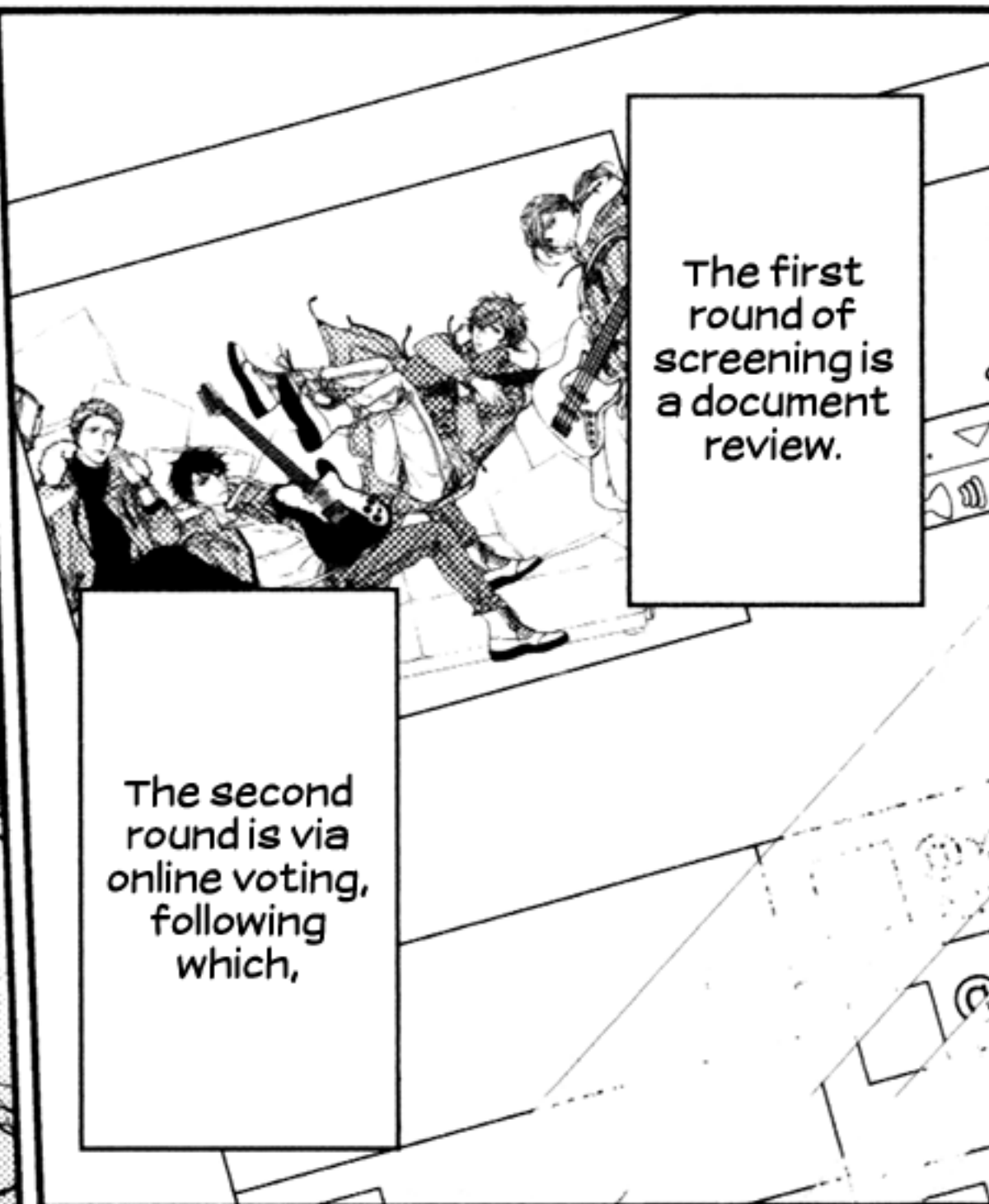
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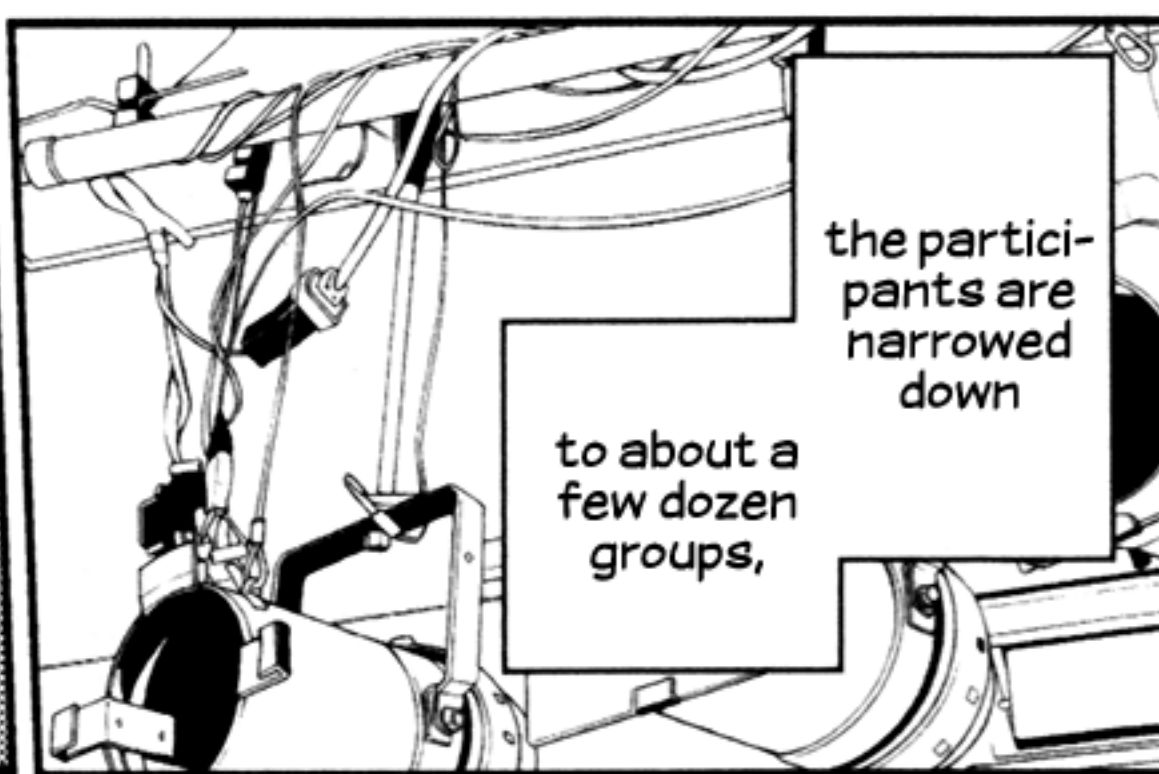
and then
over a period
of two days-
today and
tomorrow,

these groups
will perform live
onstage and
the winner is
selected by
popular vote.



The first
round of
screening is
a document
review.

The second
round is via
online voting,
following
which,



the partici-
pants are
narrowed
down

to about a
few dozen
groups,



THERE SURE
ARE A LOT
OF PEOPLE.

Murmur

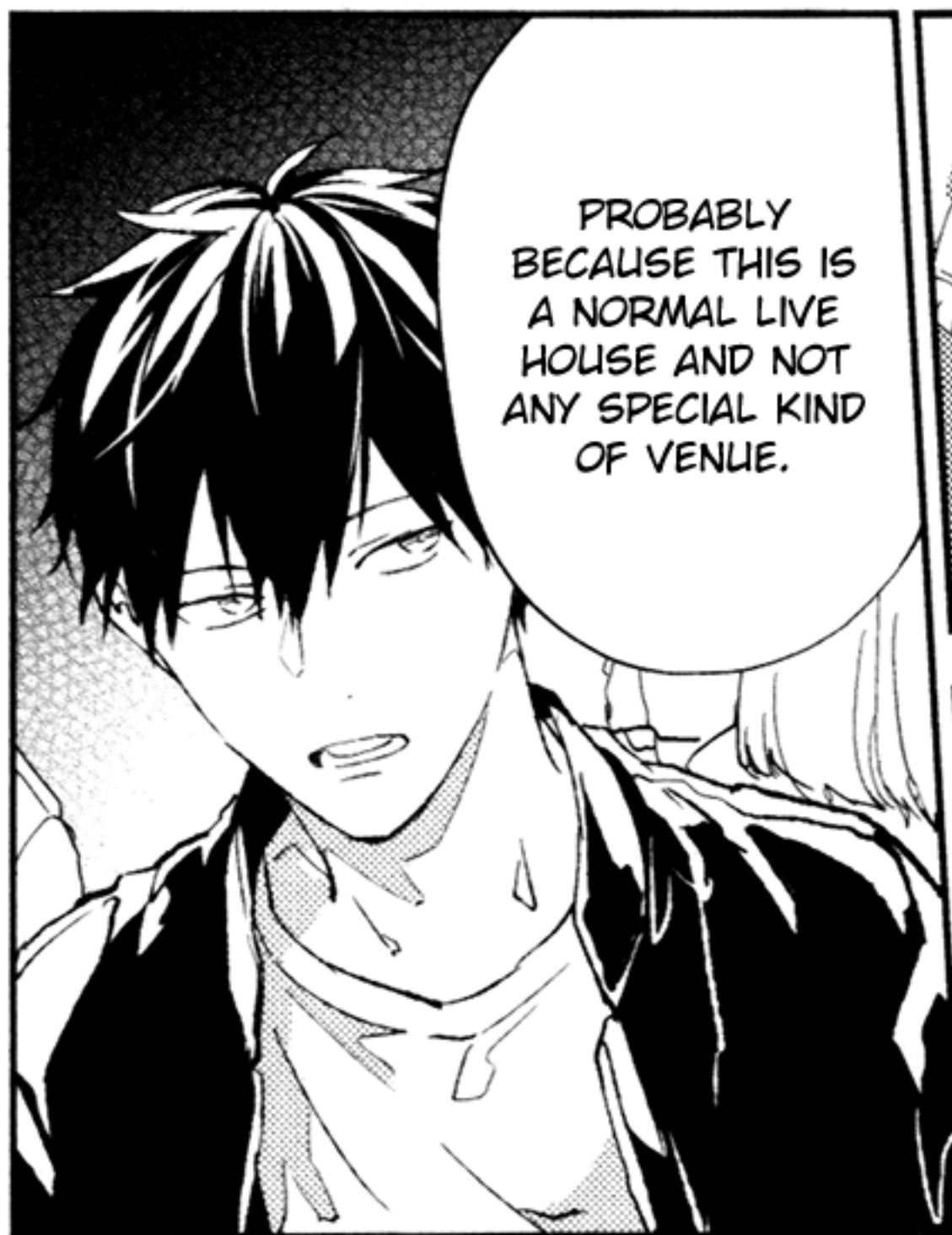


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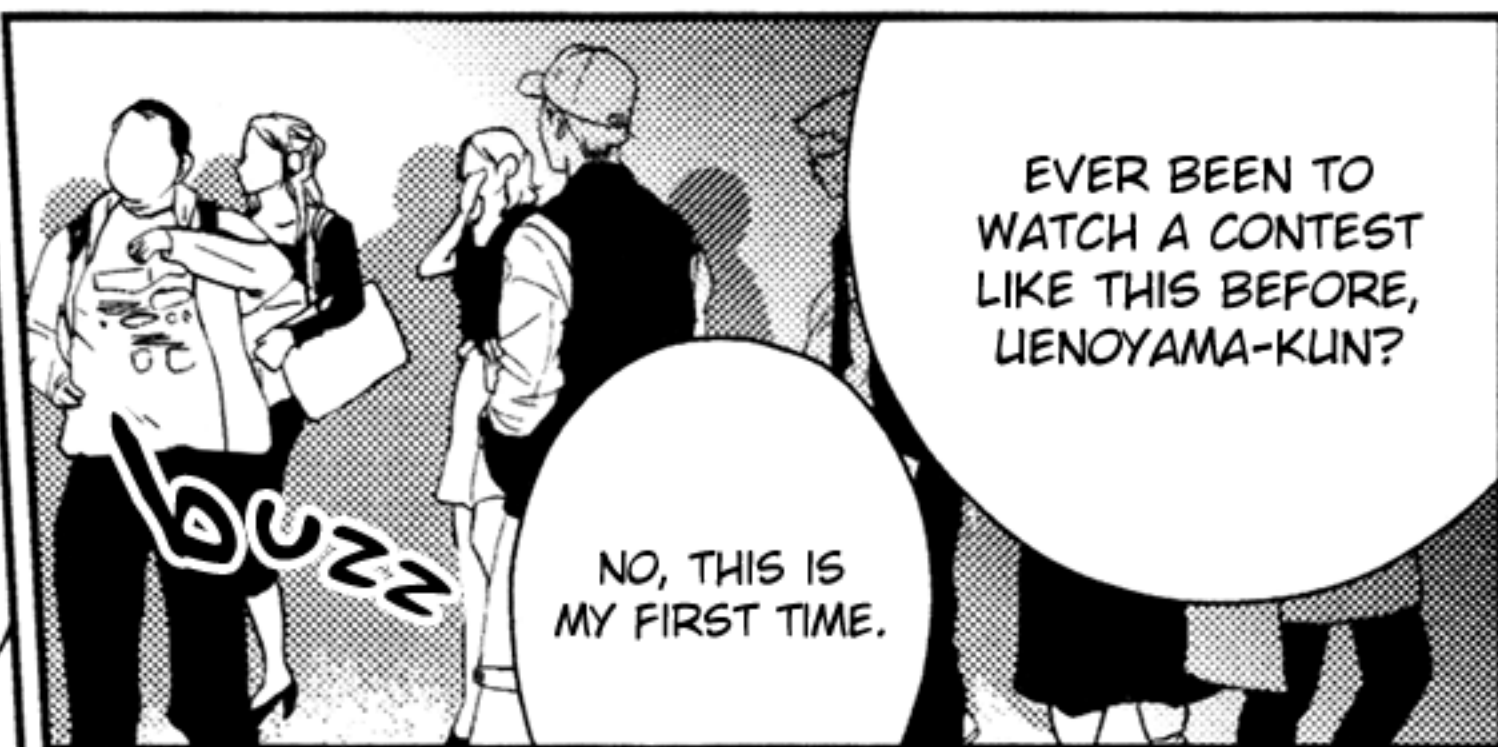
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.....EVEN SO,



PROBABLY
BECAUSE THIS IS
A NORMAL LIVE
HOUSE AND NOT
ANY SPECIAL KIND
OF VENUE.



EVER BEEN TO
WATCH A CONTEST
LIKE THIS BEFORE,
LIENOYAMA-KUN?

NO, THIS IS
MY FIRST TIME.



YEAH, IT'S OUR
FIRST TIME AS
WELL, BUT IT'S
QUITE SIMILAR TO
A REGULAR LIVE
THAN WHAT
I'D IMAGINED.



WELL, IT'S
SUPPOSED
TO BE.

I EXPECTED
THE CONTEST
TO BE MORE
LIKE, THAT...

THE FORMAT
TODAY IS THAT
THE AUDIENCE
GETS TO CHOOSE
THEIR FAVOURITE
THROUGH A
VOTING SYSTEM.

I'D VAGUELY
IMAGINED IT WOULD
BE LIKE A TYPICAL
AUDITION.

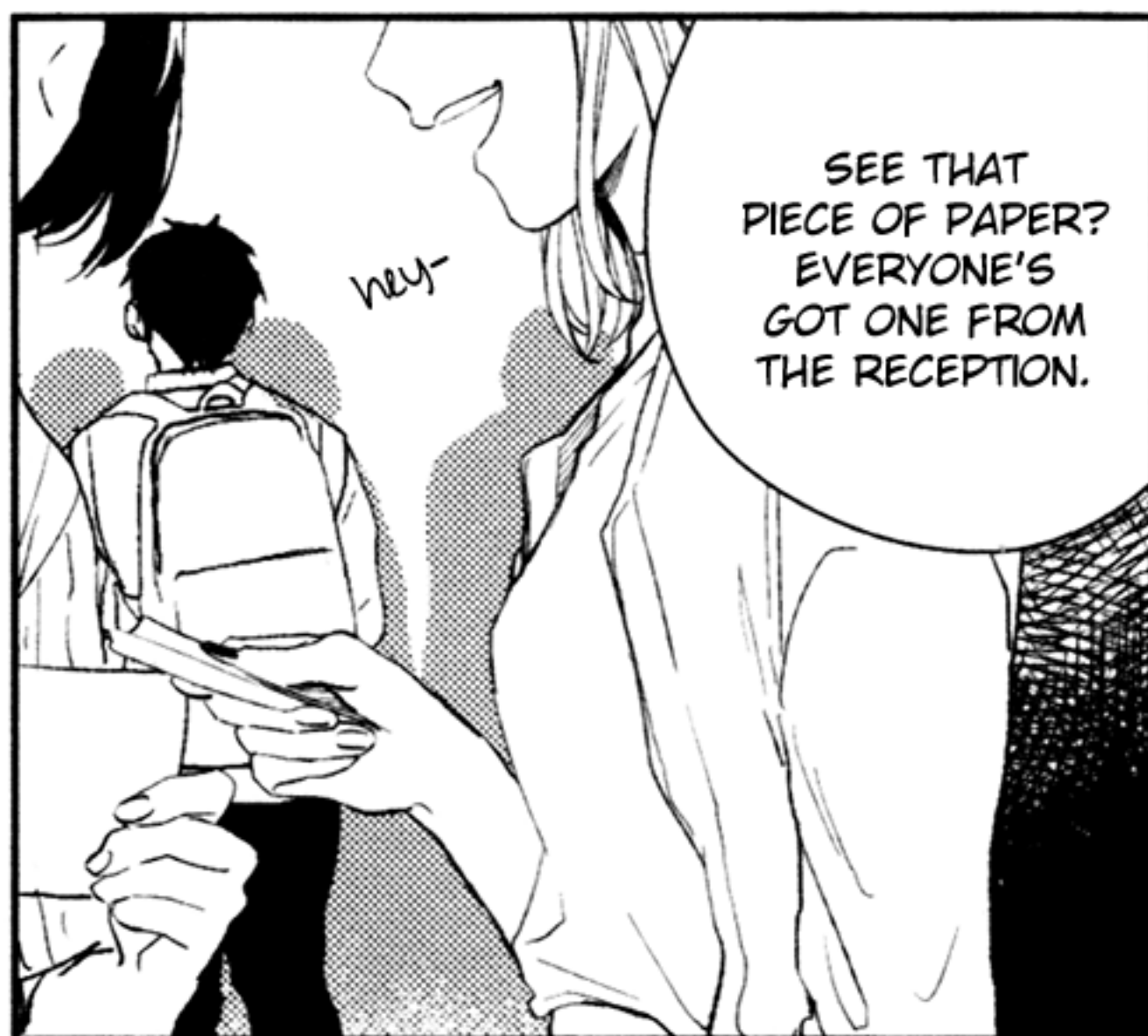


He~eh

APPARENTLY
THIS WAY THE
RESULTS WILL
BE REVEALED
IMMEDIATELY
AFTER VOTING.

OI! IT'S WEIRD
HOW YOU ALL
REACTED THE
SAME WAY!

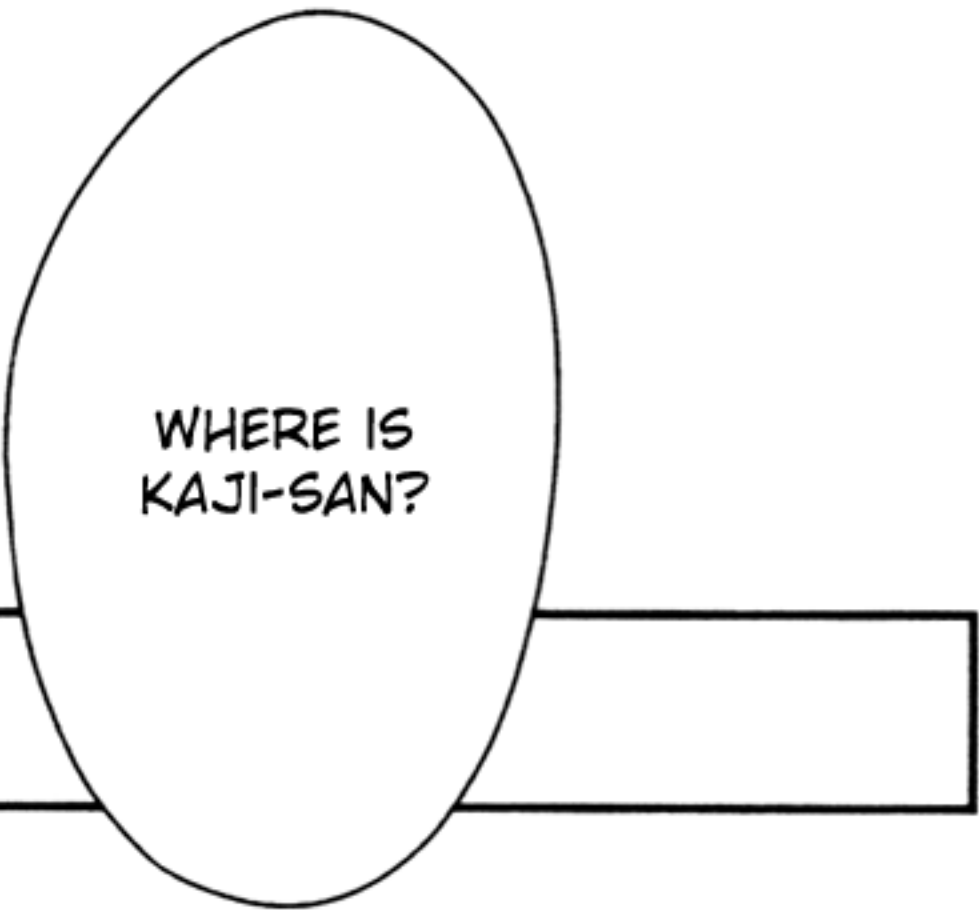
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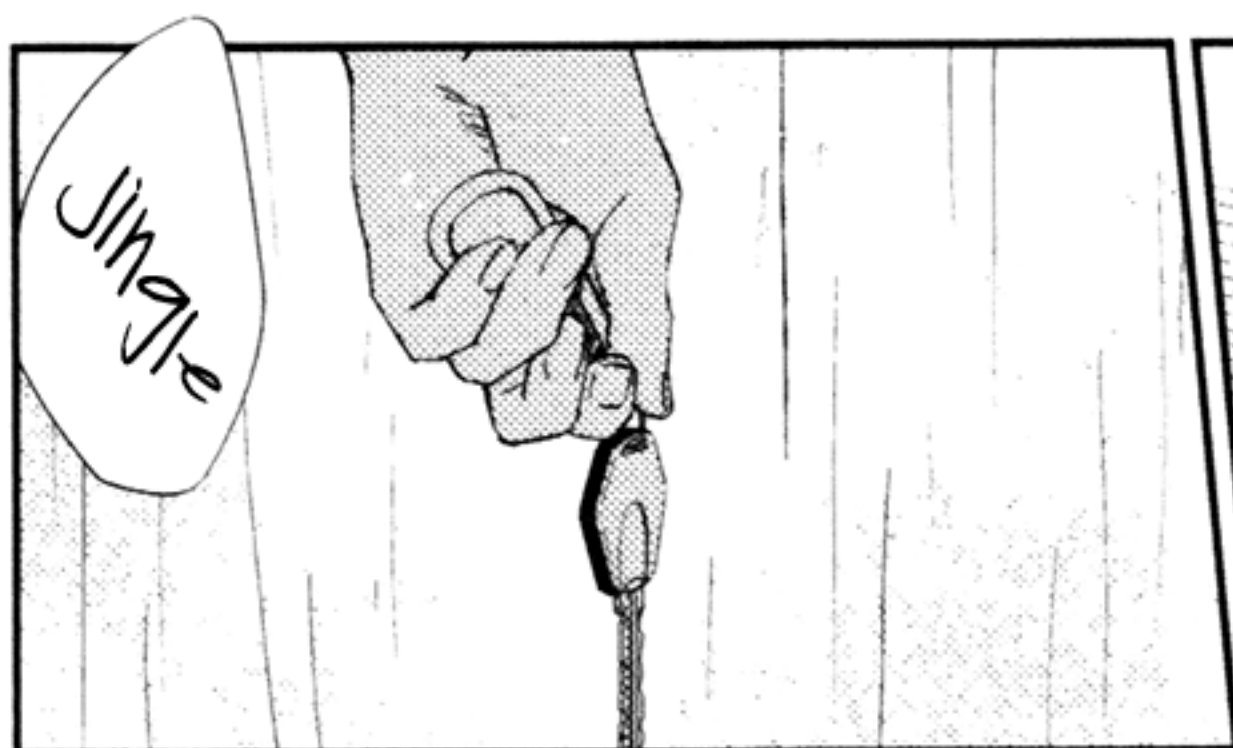


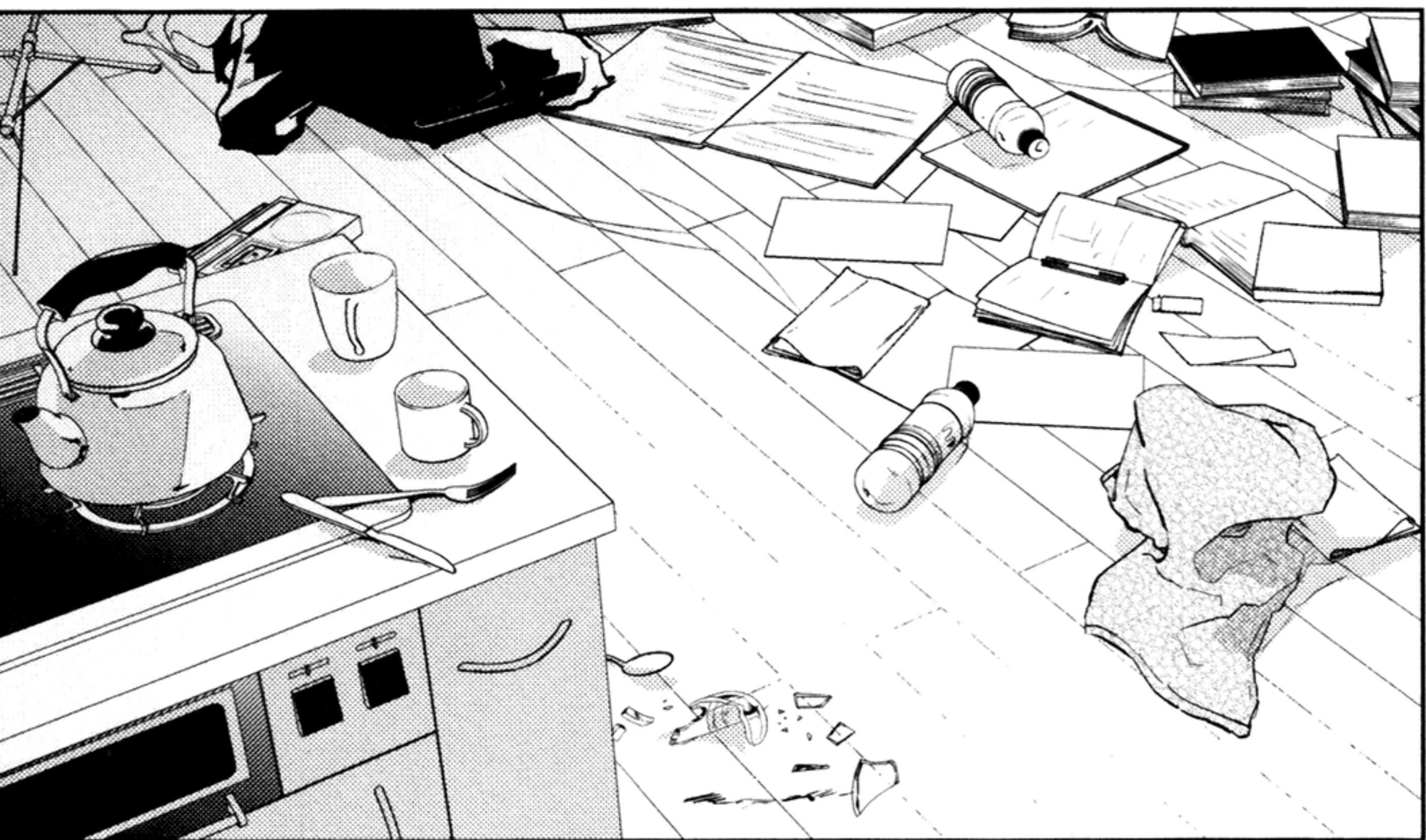
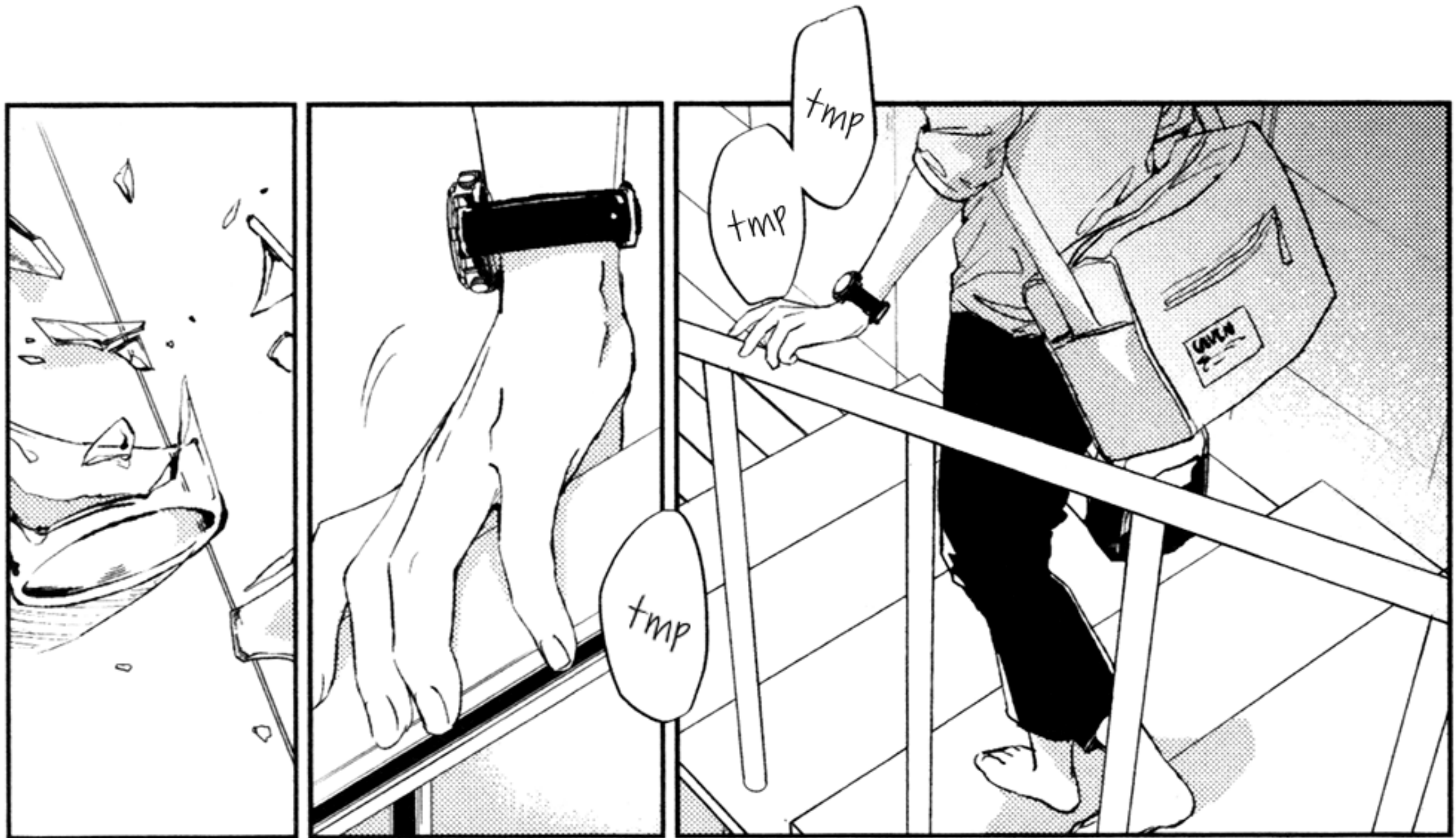
hey-

SEE THAT
PIECE OF PAPER?
EVERYONE'S
GOT ONE FROM
THE RECEPTION.











I WAITED AT MY HOUSE UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE.

CLAP

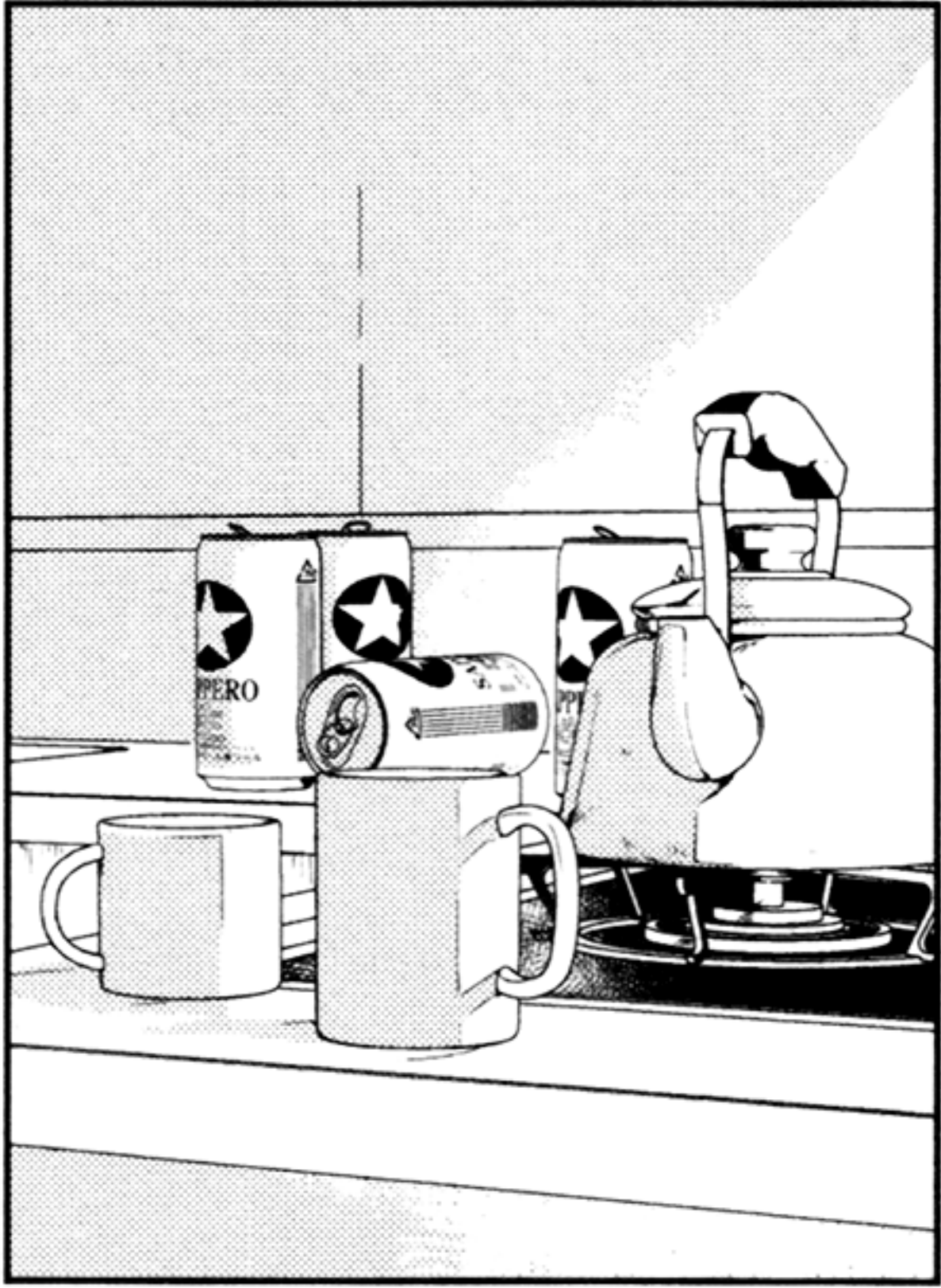
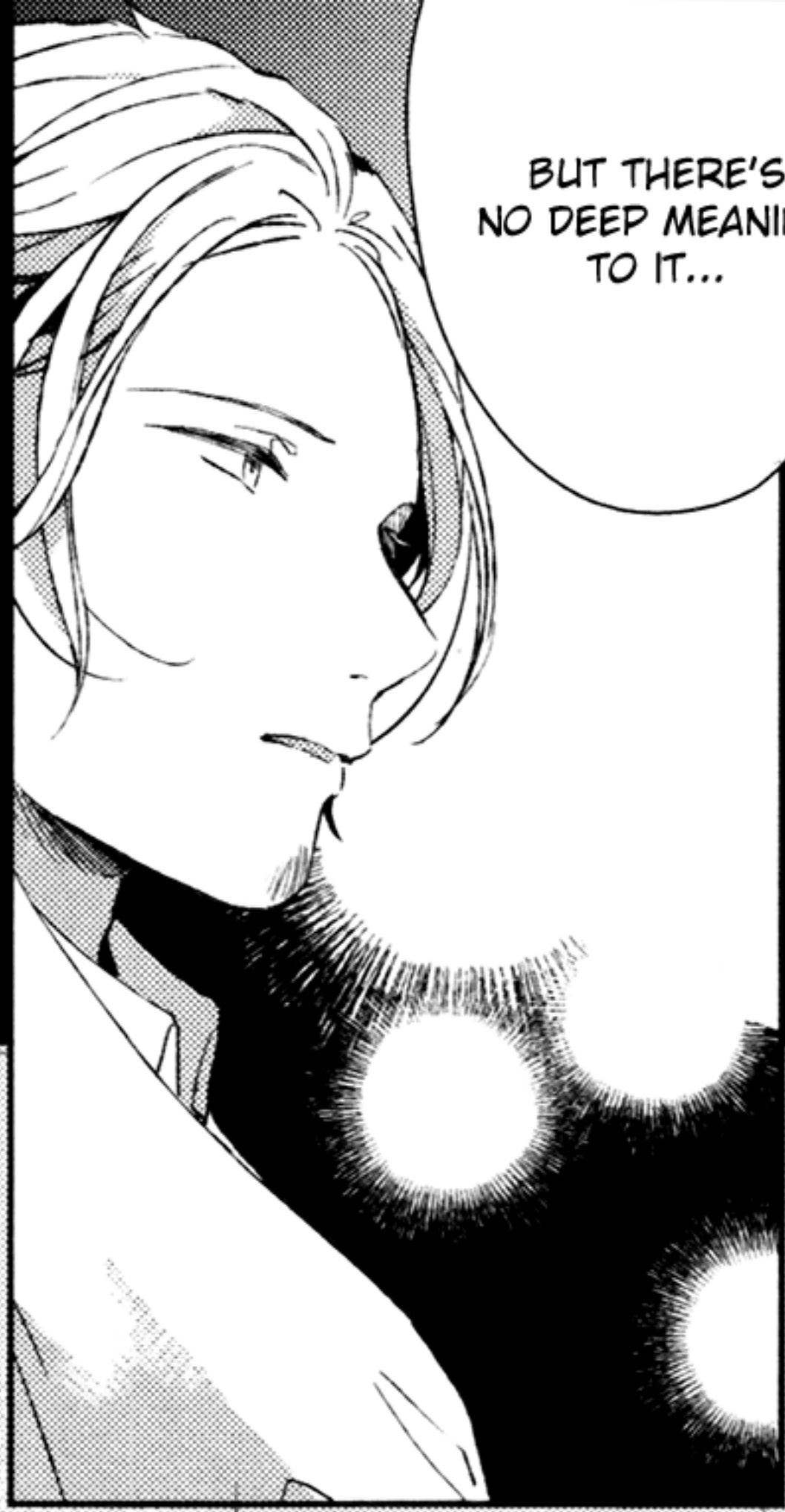
THE FIRST GROUP OF DAY ONE-

AND I COULDN'T GET A HOLD OF HIM EITHER...



AND I THINK
HE WILL BE
BACK SOON.

BUT THERE'S
NO DEEP MEANING
TO IT...





AKIHIKO.

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